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E.O. 12065: RDS-3 6/5/00 (STREATOR, EDWARD J.) OR-M
TAGS: SI, IR, UK, PINT
SUBJECT: SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL CONSIDERS INVITING
GHOTBZADEH TO BUREAU MEETING IN OSLO

1. (C-ENTIRE TEXT) SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL GENERAL
SECRETARY BERNT CARLSSON ASKED EMBOFF TO MEET HIM EVENING
OF JUNE 4 TO RECEIVE URGENT MESSAGE. CARLSSON SAID HIS
ORGANIZATION IS CONSIDERING INVITING IRANIAN FOREIGN
MINISTER GHOTBZADEH TO ATTEND THE JUNE 12-13 MEETING OF THE
SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL BUREAU IN OSLO AS AN OBSERVER.
ACCORDING TO CARLSSON, THE SPANISH SOCIALISTS WERE
APPROACHED BY GHOTBZADEH FOLLOWING THE RECENT KREISKY
MISSION TO TEHRAN WITH A REQUEST FOR AN INVITATION.
ALTHOUGH NO COMMITMENTS WERE MADE EITHER WAY, IMPLICIT IN
GHOTBZADEH'S APPROACH WAS THE SUGGESTION THAT THE HOLDING
OF THE HOSTAGES NO LONGER MADE ANY SENSE AND THAT THE
INVITATION WOULD HELP THOSE WITHIN IRAN WHO HELD THIS
VIEW.

2. CARLSSON SAID THAT THE TENDENCY WITHIN THE SOCIALIST
INTERNATIONAL LEADERSHIP WAS RUNNING IN FAVOR OF THE
INVITATION. IN ADDITION TO THE ARGUMENT NOTED ABOVE, THE
PROPOSERS STRESSED THAT SANCTIONS WOULD DO NOTHING TO

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FREE THE HOSTAGES AND NO ONE ELSE SEEMED TO BE DOING ANYTHING TO END THE CURRENT IMPASSE. THOSE WHO WERE SKEPTICAL, INCLUDING CARLSSON, WERE NOT CONVINCED THAT GHOTBZADEH'S APPROACH WAS ANYTHING BUT ANOTHER PLOY BY THE IRANIANS TO SQUEEZE FURTHER ADVANTAGE OUT OF THE HOSTAGES. A DECISION, CARLSSON SAID, WILL BE REACHED IN THE NEXT DAY OR SO -- BY MONDAY AT THE LATEST -- TO ENABLE SUFFICIENT TIME FOR AN INVITATION TO REACH TEHRAN SHOULD THAT BE THE RESULT. CARLSSON IS TRAVELING TO PARIS TODAY TO CONFER WITH MITTERAND AND HIS COLLEAGUES. THE DECISION, CARLSSON SAID, WOULD BE TAKEN BY BRANDT, MITTERAND, GONZALEZ AND CARLSSON. ONLY IF THEY CANNOT REACH AGREEMENT WILL OTHERS AMONG THE SI LEADERSHIP BE CONSULTED.

3. CARLSSON NOTED IN RELATING THE FOREGOING INFORMATION THAT THE SPANISH SOCIALISTS HAD BEEN CHARGED WITH RESPONSIBILITY FOR CONSULTING U.S. REPRESENTATIVES IN MADRID. THE PSOE HAD BEEN SO BADLY BURNED BY LEAKS PRIOR TO THE KREISKY MISSION THAT CARLSSON WAS AFRAID THE SPANIARDS MIGHT NOW HAVE GONE TO THE OTHER EXTREME AND SAID NOTHING TO THE AMERICANS. CARLSSON RECOMMENDED THAT THE DEPARTMENT ENSURE THAT EMBASSY LONDON WAS FULLY BRIEFED ON RELATED DEVELOPMENTS TO AVOID GAPS IN COMMUNICATION. WE AGREE.

4. CARLSSON WILL BE CALLING EMBOFF AT HOME ON EVENING OF FRIDAY, JUNE 6. WE NEED BY CLOSE OF BUSINESS, JUNE 6, INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW WE SHOULD RESPOND TO CARLSSON. BREWSTER

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